

DESIGNATION OF GEORGE ROGERS CLARK NORTHWEST CAMPAIGN TRAIL FOR STUDY FOR POTENTIAL ADDITION TO THE NATIONAL TRAILS SYSTEM

SPEECH OF

**HON. BARON P. HILL**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 6, 2002*

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to support H.R. 1963 and note that a George Rogers Clark Northwest Campaign Trail would not be complete without the inclusion of Clarksville, Indiana and the surrounding Falls of the Ohio area.

George Rogers Clark and his troops arrived at the Falls of the Ohio in late May of 1778, where they took possession of Corn Island. It was here that Clark trained his troops and first told them of a secret plan to attack British forts in the Illinois country. On June 24, 1778, Clark and his troops left the Falls to begin the Illinois campaign to take Kaskaskia, Cahokia and Vincennes.

Indiana takes great pride in General George Rogers Clark. State law directs the Governor to proclaim each February 25 as "George Rogers Clark Day" to mark the anniversary of the surrender of Fort Sackville at Vincennes. Not only did this great victory occur on what would later become part of Indiana, but General Clark and his men were granted 150,000 acres of land for their service by the state of Virginia in what is now Clark and Floyd counties, Indiana. One thousand acres overlooking the Falls of the Ohio River became Clarksville, Indiana. General Clark lived in Clarksville from 1803 to 1809.

Just recently, through a grant from the Ogle Foundation and individual contributions from community members, a representation cabin was placed on the site where Clark's original cabin overlooked the Falls of the Ohio. The significance of this site goes beyond General Clark. In 1803, Meriwether Lewis met General Clark's younger brother, William at the cabin to plan the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

I applaud Mr. Costello of Illinois for bringing forward this legislation because George Rogers Clark is a largely forgotten hero of the American revolution. He has been overshadowed by the success of his younger brother, William. Yet, through the sheer force of his personality, General Clark motivated his men to endure great hardship and do the impossible. His vision and leadership is credited by historians with assuring America's control of what later became the Northwest Territory.

I look forward to the establishment of the George Rogers Clark Northwest Campaign Trail and invite every American to visit the Falls of the Ohio to learn more about this important chapter of our nation's history.

HIGHLIGHTING IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

**HON. CAROLYN C. KILPATRICK**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 7, 2002*

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to support and highlight the importance of

International Women's Day on March 8. International Women's Day honors the history and important work of women around the world in their fight toward equality, justice, and peace. While this day symbolizes the advancement and great strides that have been made, this day also symbolizes the work that still needs to be done to break down the barriers and injustices women continue to face day after day.

In our nation and around the world, women continue to be victims of violence. Domestic violence, sexual assault, and rape are just a few forms of the injustices perpetrated against women. The statistics are startling. In our nation, at least 1 out of 6 women and girls has been beaten or sexually abused in her lifetime. Worldwide, the percentage increases dramatically to 1 out of every 3 women. These numbers speak to the continued and gross victimization that women face.

Here at home and around the world, we need to continue our efforts to ensure that women are provided with the safeguards, services, and tools they need, namely an education, to break the cycle of violence. Education empowers individuals and would give women the opportunity to be independent and self-reliant. No woman anywhere should have to continue to be a victim of violence and discrimination. International Women's Day represents this important goal.

IN HONOR OF VINCENT "JIMMY" SUOZZI

**HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 7, 2002*

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Vincent "Jimmy" Suozzi, who will be honored by the Glen Cove Council of PTA at a dinner on Sunday, March 10, 2002.

Jimmy Suozzi, former Mayor and current Controller of the City of Glen Cove, NY, was born in New York City and raised in the City of Glen Cove where he has lived ever since. Drafted into the army immediately after high school, Jimmy served our nation two years before attending St. John's University under the GI Bill. In 1950, Jimmy graduated with a BBA in Accounting and soon after began his brilliant career as a community leader in Glen Cove.

Jimmy's career in local politics began in the 1950s with his appointment to the Glen Cove Planning Board and he moved onto serve as the Deputy County Treasurer in the late 1960's. On January 1, 1973, Vincent "Jimmy" Suozzi was appointed Mayor of the City of Glen Cove, and was then elected by the citizens of his city four times between 1975 and 1984. Among his many accomplishments during his 11 years as Glen Cove's chief executive, Jimmy Suozzi centralized control of the various city departments, established celebration of Martin Luther King Day, and had Sturno, Italy declared the sister city of Glen Cove.

Jimmy has always been an active, outstanding and dedicated member of the Glen Cove Community. He recalls being one of the first altar boys at St. Rocco's Church, where today he is the chairman of the St. Rocco's Annual Feast. As a young man, Jimmy worked hard with the Glen Cove Community Chest to

raise money for the Community House in the Orchard, an afterschool center servicing all the children in the neighborhood. As a father, Jimmy was active in the Coles School PTA and Glen Cove High School PTSA. Today, in addition to being a member of the Sons of Italy, Knights of Columbus, VFW and American Legion, Jimmy is a devoted father, grandfather and husband. Married to Theresa M. Cioffi since 1950, they have raised seven children, all who graduated from Glen Cove High School.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I honor such an exceptional individual. I ask all my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me now in commending Vincent "Jimmy" Suozzi for his life-long dedication to the Glen Cove Community.

HONORING MEXICAN PAINTER RAUL ANGUIANO

**HON. HILDA L. SOLIS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 7, 2002*

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the 87th birthday of Maestro Raul Anguiano, a prolific Mexican painter and muralist whose career has spanned 68 years.

Born in 1915 in Guadalajara, Mexico, Mr. Anguiano began studying painting at an early age. In 1934, he moved to Mexico City to begin his artistic career as a muralist and instructor. He quickly became part of the second generation of 20th century Mexican muralists known as the Mexican School of Painting, which attempted to make art accessible to the people and depict their reality.

Mr. Anguiano's murals portray the true heart of Mexico by depicting the indigenous people as well as the workers of the country. His murals can be found throughout North and South America and Europe, and one entitled "Crucifixion" was recently acquired by the Vatican. He has participated in both individual and public exhibitions internationally, including in Mexico, the United States, Chile, Germany, Russia, France and Cuba.

His talent led Mr. Anguiano to become not only a celebrated painter and muralist but also a literary illustrator and teacher. He has illustrated several books and taught at renowned art schools throughout Mexico, as well as in France and the United States.

In 1952, Mr. Anguiano completed one of his most famous paintings called "La Espina" or "The Thorn", which was influenced by his travels throughout the Mayan regions of Mexico. The painting portrays a woman with Indian features who is working intently to remove a thorn from her foot. Although the scene depicted is not extraordinary in and of itself, Mr. Anguiano's stunning depiction reveals the importance of everyday activities.

This acclaimed muralist's most recent work is a mural for East Los Angeles College, a community college which serves the students of my district. This mural has brought international attention to the school and the community it serves, and I am grateful for his kind contribution.

I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing this incredible Mexican artist.